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SUBJECT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: INTERPARTY NEGOTIATIONS

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1. RANKING DRP, NDP, YUJONG-HOE, AND INDEPENDENT
REPRESENTATIVES MET NOVEMBER 13 FOR SECOND DAY WITH
SPEAKER CHONG IL-KWON IN ATTEMPT RESOLVE IMPASSE
OVER NDP DEMAND FOR CABINET RESIGNATIONS OVER KIM TAE-CHUNG
CASE AND CONSIDERATION OF 17 NDP BILLS.

2. SINCE NOVEMBER 7 SUBMISSION OF RESIGNATION BILL
(REFTEL) ASSEMBLY HAS BEEN AT STANDSTILL; LEGISLATION-
JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, TO WHICH BILL REFERRED BY
SPEAKER, FAILED TO RULE ON BILL'S LEGALITY DURING
INITIAL MEETINGS NOVEMBER 7-9. SINCE THEN COMMITTEE
HAS SUSPENDED MEETINGS AWAITING OUTCOME OF POLITICAL
NEGOTIATIONS. IN PRO FORMA FASHION NDP HAS THREATENED TO
DEMAND RESIGNATION OF SPEAKER CHONG FOR SUBMITTING BILL
TO COMMITTEE.

3. UNDER THREAT OF NDP BOYCOTT, ASSEMBLY STANDING
COMMITTEES HAVE NOT RESUMED BUDGET DELIBERATIONS
FOLLOWING NOVEMBER 5-6 SPECIAL PLENARY SESSION.

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WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 10-11 PRODUCED BEHIND THE
SCENES INTERPARTY NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TO

FORMAL MEETINGS, WITH GOVERNMENT SIDE AND NDP TRYING
TO WORK OUT COMPROMISE.

4. NOVEMBER 13 PRESS REPORTS THAT MAJOR OBSTACLE IS DRP PROPOSAL
THAT ACTION ON NDP DEMANDS BE POSTPONED UNTIL MID-DECEMBER,
AFTER UN AND KOREA-JAPAN MINISTERS' MEETING, AND THAT
BUDGET DELIBERATIONS PROCEED IMMEDIATELY. FOR
THEIR PART, NDP MEMBERS HAVE BEEN THREATENING
BOYCOTT OF ASSEMBLY PROCEEDINGS IF SOME GESTURE
OF COMPROMISE IS NOT MADE TO THEIR POSITION.

5. NDP IS MEETING AFTERNOON NOVEMBER 13 TO PLAN
FUTURE COURSE OF ACTION IF INTERPARTY NEGOTIATIONS
FAILS TO REACH AGREEMENT. DNP SOURCE REPORTED TO
EMBASSY OFFICER THAT PARTY WOULD HAVE TO DECIDE
SOON WHETHER TO ACCEPT VAGUE GOVERNMENT PROMISE
OF FUTURE ACTION OR INSIST ON SOME CONCRETE CONCESSIONS
NOW.

6. COMMENT: IN SEPARATE CONVERSATIONS NDP PRESIDENT
YU CHIN-SAN AND VICE SPEAKER YI CHOL-SUNG HAVE BOTH
STATED THAT THE NDP IS NOT SEEKING A CONFRONTATION WITH
THE GOVERNMENT AT THIS TIME. IN VIEW OF THE PRESENT SIT-
UATION AND THE SETTLEMENT WITH GOJ OF THE KIM TAE-CHUNG
CASE, HOWEVER, THEY BELIEVE GOVERNMENT MUST GIVE SOME
EXPLANATION TO PUBLIC AND OFFER SOME CONCESSIONS TO
THE OPPOSITION; IF THIS IS NOT DONE NDP LEADERS
INDICATE THE PARTY WILL BE FORCED TO TAKE A STRONGER
STAND.

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